

## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

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Washington, D.C. 20231 on the date indicated

a below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residences, post office addresses and citizenships are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled ANTIMICROBIAL COATED METAL SHEET, the specification of which

(check one)		is attached hereto.	,
	⋈	was filed on July 12, 2001 as Application Serial No. 09/938/205 and was amended on	(if applicable)

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international applications designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international applications(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by us on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority if claimed.

Number	Country	Filing Date	Priority Claimed	
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We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF PRIOR U. UNDER 35 L	S. PROVISIONAL APPLICATION(S) J.S.C. 119(e)
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We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Codes, §120, of any United States application(s) or PCT international application(s) designating the United States of America that is/are listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in that/those prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 that occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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